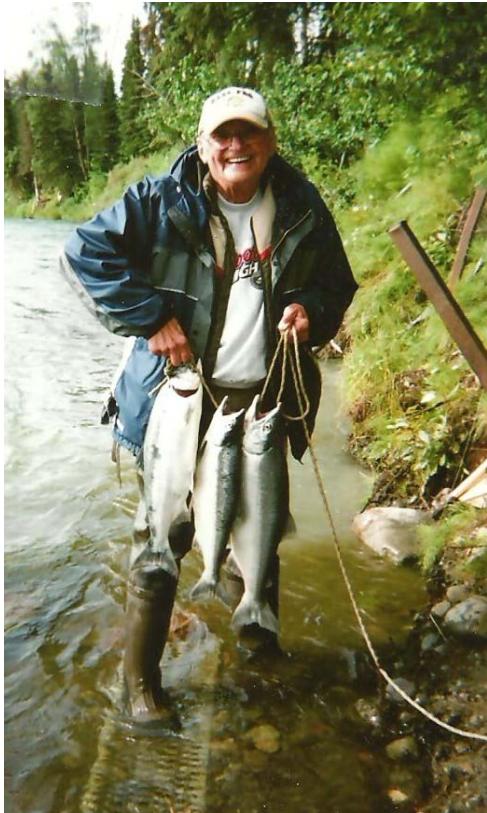




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Art Siedler

A. J. (Art) Siedler is a current Emeritus Member of CSIFT. He is also a Past Chair of the Chicago Section of IFT in 1996-1997 (which automatically means he served as Chair-Elect and Program Committee Chair in 1995-1996 and as Past Chair and Chair of the Nominations Committee and Awards Committee in 1997-1998).

Art remembers serving as Chair or Member of the Continuing Education Committee, the Tanner Lecture Committee, the CSIFT Annual IFT Meeting Committee, and was a CSIFT National Councilor and Alternate Councilor. He also was awarded the Chicago Section IFT Chair's Achievement Award in 1979 (the second awarding of this new activity award).



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Art is a Wisconsinite by birth. After a stint (1945-46) in the U.S. Coast Guard, he finished his undergraduate degree in Biochemistry at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He then was employed by the American Meat Institute Foundation (AMIF) on the University of Chicago campus, where he completed his MS and PhD degrees, all in Biochemistry.

Following the closure of the AMIF in 1964, he worked at the Norwich Pharmacal Company in Norwich, NY. In 1972, Art was appointed as Head of the Department of Food Science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. At this time, he became a member of IFT. During his tenure as Head, he initiated the University of Illinois Extramural Masters Degree in Food Science Program in the Chicago area, which continues to this day.



As a Member of IFT, he served on the Expert Panel on Food Safety and Nutrition, the Committee on Research Needs, as an IFT Councilor and Alternate Councilor, and was elected an IFT Fellow in 1993. Art served as Department Head until 1989 and remained on the faculty until 1994. He is currently an Emeritus Member of the University of Illinois faculty, of IFT, and of CSIFT.

As a retired Food Scientist, you may recognize him on any lake in the USA with a fishing rod and a stringer of BIG FISH! Or, he will be in attendance at the many sports events at the U of Illinois!